Besides, the Ministry has contributed Rs. 75.68 crores to the Non-lapsable central pool of resources, created by the Government during 1998-99 for implementation of projects for the development of NER including Assam.

Supply of DMS Milk

1557. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of milk supplied to the Booth No. 291, near CGHS dispensary at Laxmibai Nagar, New Delhi;

(b) whether Government are aware that the supply is inadequate to meet the demand; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to increase the supply of milk alongwith the steps taken to streamline the distribution system which is presently resulting in long queues?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) At present Delhi Milk Scheme is supplying 300 litres of milk at depot no. 291 situated near CGHS dispensary at Laxmibai Nagar.

(b) Milk is being supplied not only by Delhi Milk Scheme but by other organisations including Mother Dairy and private suppliers. No report has been received regarding the inadequacy of the availability of milk to meet the demand.

(c) The sale price of DMS toned milk is nearly half that of the same quality of milk supplied by Mother Dairy and other private suppliers. Hence there is always a heavy demand on DMS milk. The DMS is meeting approximately 12% of the total demand in Delhi and it is not possible to increase the supply level due to capacity and budgetary constrainsts.

Mother Dairy Milk Booth

1558. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of Central Government employees are residing at Sector-17, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, U.P. and have been facing acute shortage of milk because there is no Mother Dairy milk booth at this area;